

# OFFICIAL REPORTS

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHANGE OF MEETING PLACE

THE New York County Society will hold its meetings the coming year in Room 39 of the Academy of Medicine, New York City.

ADA B. STEWART, Secretary.

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### UNCLAIMED LETTERS

LETTERS for the following nurses, sent to San Francisco, will be forwarded if addresses are sent to Secretary of San Francisco County Nurses' Association, 4 Steiner Street, San Francisco.

Three for Miss Ellen Kershaw, three for Miss Anna Brennan, one each for Miss Katherine Furbee, Miss Emily Burns, and Miss Alice D. Hill.

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### STATE MEETINGS

THE Iowa state examination for nurses was held July 28 and 29 at the office of the Secretary of the State Board of Health. A number of applicants took this examination.

IOWA.—The fifth annual meeting of the Iowa State Association of Registered Nurses met at Sioux City in June, at which time the following business was transacted:

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: president, Jane Garrod, Davenport; first vice-president, Anna Goodale, Cedar Rapids; second vice-president, Abbie Tabor, Sioux City; recording secretary, Mrs. Ida C. Neff, Waterloo; corresponding secretary, Wilhelmina Blim, Waterloo; treasurer, Anna Killeen, Dubuque; auditor, Blanche Bowker, Ottumwa.

Mrs. Ida C. Neff was appointed as delegate to the next national convention, with Miss Jane Garrod as alternate.

Owing to the passage of the registration law in this state, the name of the association was changed from the "Iowa State Association of Graduate Nurses" to the "Iowa State Association of Registered Nurses."

Miss Luella Bristol, of Des Moines, delegate to the national convention at San Francisco, gave a very interesting and instructive report of that meeting.

It was recommended that a state inspector of training schools be appointed.

A resolution was adopted that the Iowa State Association of Registered Nurses offer their assistance to the Minnesota nurses in entertaining the visiting delegates at the next national convention to be held in Minneapolis in 1909.

The convention was a very enthusiastic one and the attendance was more than double the number of any previous meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA C. NEFF,  
Recording Secretary.

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KENTUCKY.—The second annual meeting of the Kentucky State Association of Graduate Nurses was held June 9, 10, and 11 at the Woman's Club, Louisville. The sessions were well attended and much interest was shown. Officers were elected as follows: president, L. A. Wilson, superintendent Children's Free Hospital, Louisville; first vice-president, Marie Lustnauer; second vice-president, S. E. Dock; recording secretary, Lulu Evans; corresponding secretary, Viola J. Bines; treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Telford. Committees: Ways and Means, Louise Mensinger; Credentials, Edith Bush; Nominating, Katharine Arnold; Press and Publication, Patty McPherson.

The program presented was:

Tuesday afternoon: Invocation; address of welcome by the Mayor of Louisville; response by Mrs. Thompson; addresses by Dr. John G. Cecil, president of the State Medical Association, and Mrs. Charles P. Weaver.

Tuesday evening: Reception given by the Jefferson County Graduate Nurses' Club.

Wednesday morning: Business; reports; president's address; paper, "Duty of Nurses to State and Local Associations," by Margaret Blair.

Wednesday afternoon: Papers, "Course in Hospital Economics," by Laura A. Wilson; "Juvenile Court Work," by Dr. Winnifred Green; "Anti-tuberculosis Campaign," by Anna G. Murphy.

Wednesday evening: Entertainment at Fontaine Ferry by the alumnae associations of Louisville.

Thursday morning: Business, reports and election.

PATTY MCPHERSON,  
Chairman Publication and Press Committee.

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NORTH CAROLINA.—At the Southern Conservatory of Music, Durham, on June 17, was held the opening session of the sixth annual meeting of the North Carolina State Nurses' Association. Mr. G. W. Bryant presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. E. R. Leyburn. The program consisted of addresses of welcome, the president's annual address, music and a paper by Professor A. H. Merritt of Trinity College. Dr. Cheatham's address of welcome on behalf of the medical profession was brief and cordial. Judge Winston paid a high tribute to the trained nurse when he spoke of her as the distinguishing feature of our age. The president, Miss Pfahl, reviewed the work of the association and its ambitions for yet better work in uplifting professional standards and thus being able to give better and more efficient service. In this connection she spoke of the preparatory course for nurses that it is hoped can be established at the State Normal College at Greensboro, and towards which the association has been working during the year. She mentioned as an interesting fact that the North Carolina association was the first to get a bill passed providing for registration of nurses. The paper on "Hospitals and Nursing

among the Ancient Greeks" showed research and was interesting and instructive.

On Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, the board of directors met and discussed plans of work for the year. The first business session was called to order at 11 A.M. by the president, Miss Pfohl, and an opening prayer was offered by Rev. C. J. Thompson. About fifty nurses were present during the meeting. When all members had registered and paid dues, the regular business was taken up. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, also the secretary's report. It was a matter of regret to the association that the treasurer, Miss Evans, was detained at home by illness. Her report was read by Mrs. Nunnally, secretary pro tem. Committees were appointed. An entertaining and instructive paper was read on "A Visit to a Pill Factory," by Miss M. L. Wyche, which told of taking a peep at pill making in the laboratory of Parke, Davis & Co. of Detroit.

Following this paper was a "Report on Almshouse Nursing in North Carolina," by Miss May Williams, chairman of the Committee on Almshouse Nursing. This report was read by Mrs. Pratt, delegate from Charlotte Local Association. A discussion followed. Dr. Arch Cheatham was present and gave a short talk on the work, especially of the conditions existing in Durham County. This ended the morning session.

In the afternoon new members were elected to the board of directors to fill expired terms. The board of directors for 1908 is as follows: president, Constance E. Pfohl, Winston-Salem; first vice-president, Maria P. Allen, Morganton; second vice-president, Ann Fergerson, Statesville; treasurer, Lillie H. Cowan, Durham; secretary, Mary Sheetz, Winston-Salem; chairman Membership Committee, Ella MacNichols; Mary L. Wyche.

Reports were next in order. First came those from local societies, that from Charlotte being particularly good. That from Raleigh spoke of the existence of a sick loan fund which was creditable. The president of the Board of Examiners reported that thirty-two nurses had taken the state board examination, a good number of these being recent graduates.

After reports of committees and some unfinished business, came "Ethics of Nursing," an excellent paper, prepared by Miss MacNichols of Charlotte.

The third business session was opened at 9 A.M. by prayer by Dr. A. G. Adam of Trinity Methodist Church. Before taking up the work of the morning, the association had the pleasure of listening to a practical and interesting paper on "Tuberculosis," by Dr. T. A. Mann.

In the absence of Mrs. Nunnally, Miss Wyche read her paper on "Hospitals and Training Schools of North Carolina" and much information of a helpful nature was obtained. The morning was largely taken up by discussions, especially as to the means of securing the proposed preparatory course for nurses at the State Normal College, Greensboro. Letters were read from superintendents of hospitals and others on the subject, and a motion was adopted by the association that a second attempt be made to secure an expression from superintendents of training schools on the subject, and to learn what support they would give such a course.

Thirty-nine new members were elected. The association voted a sum of money to be set aside for the endowment fund of Teacher's College (Hospital Economics Course). Miss Wyche was appointed delegate to represent North Carolina State Nurses' Association at the next meeting of the Associated Alumnae.

A committee was appointed to express publicly the thanks of the nurses for the hospitality of the Durham people in entertaining nurses in their homes and providing many pleasant amusements, after which the association adjourned. The place of the next meeting was brought up for discussion and will be decided later by the directors. Social features of entertainment for the nurses were: a trolley ride over the city; refreshments at Lakewood Park by the Ladies' Board of Visitors of Watts Hospital; a theatre party by Durham druggists; an automobile trip to Chapel Hill, State University, with an elaborate supper served at that place by the kindness of Mr. Geo. Watts, Durham's benefactor in that he has given to the city a fine new hospital now in course of erection. The hospital is to cost a quarter of a million dollars. The physicians of Durham gave a reception to the association on Friday evening.

MARY SHEETZ, R.N.,  
Secretary.

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INDIANA.—The annual meeting of the Indiana State Board of Registration and Examination of Nurses was held in Indianapolis, July 2, at the State Capitol.

The officers of the examining board were reelected, Mrs. Isabella Gerhart, R.N., president, Indianapolis; Miss Edna Humphrey, R.N., secretary and treasurer, Crawfordsville; Miss Lizzie M. Cox, R.N., Elizabethtown, was reappointed training-school inspector.

EDNA HUMPHREY, Secretary.

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#### REGULAR MEETINGS

BALTIMORE, Md.—The annual meeting and reunion of the Baltimore City Hospital Alumnae Association was held on June 24 at 4 p.m. at the hospital. At a previous meeting a subscription for a sick benefit fund had been started, reports from which were most encouraging. This method was selected to save the trouble of holding a bazaar. A donation was made to the Hospital Economies Course. The following applicants were proposed for membership; Pilar Cabrera, of Cuba, and Schma Gibson, of Maryland.

Officers were elected for the coming year: president, Eleanor Parker, 825 North Fulton Avenue, Baltimore; vice-president, Sadie A. Rowe; corresponding secretary, Johanna Tuve, Subbrooke Park, Md.; recording secretary, Sister M. Nolasco; treasurer, Mrs. May Clare Nicholls; disbursing treasurer, Sister M. Alexins. A resolution was passed expressing appreciation of the services of the retiring president, Sara Ward. At a tea following the meeting the sisters in charge of the hospital entertained the members.

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CINCINNATI, O.—The Jewish Hospital Alumnae Association has just issued its program for next year's work. It is attractively gotten up in the form of a booklet, printed in the association's colors, green and white, with names of officers, subjects for the different meetings, a list of the members, and a copy of the constitution and by-laws. Interesting quotations are interspersed. The order of exercises at each meeting seems to be a "response," a paper and a reading. Probably the response is to the roll-call; that for November is given as "Summer Memories," all the other responses call for quotations. This might

be a good way for other associations to get each member to take part in the meeting. The papers for the year are to be: "What is a Trained Nurse?" "The Uses and Abuses of the Uniform;" "Need of the Alumnae Association;" "Relation of the Graduate to her School, Fellow Nurses and the Public;" "Problems of Private Nursing;" "District Nursing;" "Institutional Work;" "Results of Work at the Pure Milk Station;" and a five minute talk by each member on the year's work. Some of the subjects of the readings are: Martin Chuzzlewit, Chapter 49; Excerpts, Ambroise Pare; Selections, AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING; Foreign Hospitals, and selections in general.

The program would be still more useful for reference if it contained the addresses of the president, corresponding secretary, and treasurer.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.—At the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Alumnae Association, on May 18, the following officers were elected for the coming year: president, Caroline MacDevitt; first vice-president, Katherine Dillon; second vice-president, Anna B. Burns; treasurer, Edith Cavalli; secretary, Helene D. Bengtson.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.—On May 15, the Alumnae Association of the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing entertained the graduating class at Florence Nightingale Hall, from four till seven. While the orchestra played, the guests danced or talked in cozy corners. Refreshments were served from attractively set tables, and the tea was pronounced one of the most successful given.

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DAYTON, OHIO.—The last monthly meeting for the summer of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Dayton and vicinity was held June 17 in the nurses' home of the Miami Valley Hospital. After the reading of a paper on "Current Events," by Anna Nichtern, the officers elected at the last meeting were installed: president, Ella P. Crandall; first vice-president, Mary Kemp; second vice-president, Anna Nichtern; secretary, Freda Gaiser; corresponding secretary, Crete M. Zorn; treasurer, Mary Christy; councillors, Ida Boyce, and Nina Weith.

The next meeting will be held the third Wednesday in October.

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PATERSON, N. J.—At the annual meeting of St. Joseph's Hospital Training School Alumnae Association, the following officers were elected: president, Margaret Dwyer; first vice-president, A. E. Madden; second vice-president, K. Piusonneault; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. H. F. Reid; chairman Board of Trustees, Miss J. MacDonald. After the meeting the members attended the graduation exercises of the class of 1908 and were the guests of Sister Mary Clare at a banquet tendered the graduates. The dining hall was beautifully decorated and all present had a most enjoyable time.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.—The fifth annual meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae Association was held at the Jewish Maternity Hospital, April 29, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Betty Chodowski; first vice-president, Mrs. J. Rabinowitch; second vice-president, Mrs. J. Shapiro;

secretary, Mrs. F. W. Simon; assistant secretary, Miss Stimmel; treasurer, Mrs. S. Belle Cohn.

The alumnae has had a very successful year, and has presented the hospital with one hundred dollars towards furnishing the new nurses' dormitory. The entire graduating class of this year has joined the association.

At the commencement exercises of the thirteenth class the alumnae gold medal was won by Catherine O'Brien and honorable mention was given Gertrude Rosenthal.

The "Loucheim" prize for best practical work was won by Rebeca Rothstein.

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ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.—The Ramsey County Graduate Nurses' Association held its regular monthly meeting at the nurses' home, 35 Aurora Avenue. There was an attendance of twenty-five members. A committee was appointed to confer with the Ramsey County Medical Society to discuss and form plans to meet the problem of nursing in the families of moderate means. The announcement of hourly work being taken up by Grace N. Robinson was made. This will put three graduate nurses of experience in this work; Miss Swan and Miss Forbes being the others. A report of the San Francisco convention was given by the delegates, Miss Holmes and Miss Bedford, which was extremely interesting and enjoyed by all. Miss Jameison was welcomed back; she has been in Chicago connected with the tuberculosis work under Mr. Wilson for the past two months. It is hoped that she will take charge of the summer camp for tubercular patients in this city—which is ideally located on the river bank.

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ROCKFORD, ILL.—The alumnae of the Rockford Training School held their annual banquet on the evening of May 29 at which the graduates were the guests of honor. The business meeting of the association followed the banquet, at which the following officers were elected: president, Nellie S. Hanford; vice-president, Ida S. Culhane; secretary, Nellie Y. Stocking; treasurer, Hetty M. VanEpps.

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SCRANTON, PA.—The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Moses Taylor Hospital Training School for Nurses was held May 16 at the nurses' home.

#### PERSONALS

MISS REBA TAYLOR, resident nurse at the Mt. Vernon Seminary, goes to Wilmington, Delaware, for a vacation.

MISS HAZEL ANTHONY, class of 1907, Lakeside Hospital, Chicago, has resigned her hospital position at Paris, Ill.

MISS ANN J. JONES, of Des Moines, Iowa, will on August 1 become assistant to Miss Helen Baleum of Finley Hospital, Dubuque, Iowa.

MISS LILY KANEY, president of the District Nurses' Association, Washington, D. C., has returned from a two months' stay in Paris.

MISS ANNA L. MCCOY, member of the Nurses' Alumni Association of the Jewish Hospital, Philadelphia, sailed on June 20 for a two months' tour of Europe.

MISS BLANCH M. TRUESDALL has been appointed superintendent of Cottage Hospital, Portsmouth, N. H. Miss Truesdall is a graduate of the Margaret Pillsbury Hospital Training School, Concord, N. H.

MISS McWHORTER, who is in charge of Dr. H. D. Fry's Sanitarium, Washington, D. C., has gone to her home in Mobile, Alabama, to remain until October. Miss Daucherty, of the National Homeopathic, has charge during her absence.

MISS ALICE B. SLAUGHTER, of Ottumwa, Iowa, has taken charge of the Eleanor Moore Memorial Hospital, Boone, Iowa. This hospital has received another fund from Mr. Moore and will soon erect a large wing, thereby increasing its capacity materially.

MISS MARION B. DIBBLEE has resigned her position as superintendent of Melrose Hospital, Melrose, Massachusetts, to take effect August 1. The management is sorry to part with her, as the work has been very prosperous under her administration. The vacancy has not yet been filled.

MISS ALICE C. BEATIE, a graduate of the Illinois Training School for Nurses, who has been superintendent of nurses at the Homeopathic Hospital in connection with the University of Iowa at Iowa City for several years, has resigned her position and will take up private nursing in Cleveland.

MISS LUCY F. RYDER, R.N., a graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital, New York City, has opened a wholesome home-like boarding place at 151 East 81st Street, where permanent or transient guests will be received, with or without board. This should prove an attraction to out-of-town nurses who do not know where to find a place to stay while in the city.

MISS R. INDE ALBANGH has resigned her position as superintendent of Grace Hospital, New Haven, Connecticut, and intends taking a much needed rest; she is spending the summer on Skiff Mountain in Kent, Conn. Miss Albangh held the above position for seven years, and has temporarily retired from institutional work to rest, and to devote some time to the study of special lines of institutional work.

DR. LAURA H. CARNELL, dean of Temple University faculty, has sailed for a visit of several weeks to the principal educational centres of Europe. She is accompanied by Mrs. Wilmer Krusen, a member of the Temple University Training School Auxiliary.

One of their principal missions will be the study of hospital work with a view to applying the latest ideas in this line to the work of Temple University. Miss Carnell will take the summer course at Cambridge.

THE RESIGNATION of Miss Victoria White, who for the past seventeen years has been superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital, South Bethlehem, Pa., and also principal of nurses of that training school, went into effect on June 15. Miss White is greatly missed by all those connected with the institution as well as by all her friends in the community, but especially by the nurses—who have

benefited so largely by those years of constant and faithful work in the building up and advancement of the school.

The alumnae society was founded by Miss White and of the one hundred and twelve graduates of the training school, all but fourteen were under her supervision and feel that in her going from St. Luke's, they have met a personal loss.

Miss White has gone to Pittsburgh for an indefinite rest and later will travel. She carries with her wherever she goes the love and best wishes of her alumnae association.

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#### BIRTHS

ON May 24, at Paterson, New Jersey, a son to Mrs. A. F. MaeBride, formerly Miss K. Galvin, class of 1899, St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson.

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#### MARRIAGES

ON April 22, at Boston, Flora E. MacPherson, class of 1901, Carney Hospital, to Joseph L. Muldoon.

ON June 10, at Boston, Josephine A. Murphy, class of 1898, Carney Hospital, to Dr. Timothy M. Shay.

ON June 3, at Denver, Kathryn D. Leary, class of 1906, the Western Pennsylvania Hospital Training School for Nurses, to Carney Hartley.

ON May 28, Lizzie M. Walker, class of 1892, Brooklyn Homeopathie Hospital Training School, to Parker Stiles of Englewood, New Jersey.

ON May 8, at Pittsburgh, Eleanor D. North, class of 1906, Western Pennsylvania Hospital Training School for Nurses, to Paul E. Westhaesser.

ON June 6, at Greensburg, Pa., Mary Bortz, class of 1907, the Western Pennsylvania Hospital Training School for Nurses, to John F. McCullough, M.D.

ON May 5, at St. Dominic's Church, Denver, Selina A. Chanvin, R.N., class of 1905, Illinois Training School, to John J. Flynn. They will live at Tomahawk, Wisconsin.

ON June 27, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Sarah A. Terrill, class of 1894, Long Island College Hospital, to Joseph R. Hammond, M.D. They will live at Port Jefferson, Long Island.

ON April 4, at Waterbury, Conn., Ella M. Murphy, class of 1904, St. Luke's Hospital, South Bethlehem, Pa., to George A. Sisson. They will live at Corregidor, Philippine Islands.

ON July 11, in Trinity Chapel, Washington, D. C., Minnie T. Turner, R.N., class of 1907, New York Infirmary for Women and Children, to Sydney L. P. Dunnott. They will live in Baltimore, Md.

ON May 19, at Pasadena, California, Minnie A. Philippens, class of 1905, Maryland General Hospital Training School, and recently a member of the Army Nurse Corps, to Captain Clarence N. Purdy of the United States Army.

ON June 20, at Lawville, Canada, Annie Ross, class of 1891, Hamilton City Hospital, and post-graduate, class of 1901, Woman's Hospital, New York City, to William Jardine. They will live at 57 Murray Street, East Hamilton, Canada.

ON February 19, at Logan, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Margaret B. Freutzel, class of 1901, Jewish Maternity Hospital, Philadelphia, to Frederick W. Simon of Billings, Montana. They will live at Carnac and Louden Streets, Logan, Philadelphia.

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#### DEATHS

AT St. Barnabas Hospital, Newark, New Jersey, Mrs. Frank Adams, formerly Mary Macanley Farmer, a graduate of the Newark City Hospital.

MRS. JOHN NICHOLS (Lillian Carruthers), graduate of the Metropolitan Hospital Training School, Blackwell's Island, class of 1906, died at her home in Philadelphia, on May 15, 1908, after a very severe illness.

ON Tuesday, June 30, at the Sunshine Sanatorium and Rest Home, Borough of Brooklyn, N. Y., of typhoid fever, Sarah E. Lindsay. Interment at Almer, Ontario, Canada. Miss Lindsay was a graduate of the Long Island College Hospital Training School, class of 1895.

AT her home, Hoboken, New Jersey, April, 1908, after eight days' illness of typhoid fever, Edna M. McLaren, a graduate nurse of Mountainside Hospital, Montclair, New Jersey, class of 1897.

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